

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Currently Amended) Drink dispenser (1) provided with a chamber (2) with an opening for accommodating a container [[(13)]] (3) containing carbonated drink, and with a lid (5) for closing off the opening, which container is provided with an outlet closed by a shut-off valve (10), a tap head (14) that during use is connected via a line (13) to the outlet (9), which tap head has an operating member (23,25) for opening and closing the line, the line (13) being releasably engageable between the outlet and the tap head (14) to provide a fluid connection therebetween, characterised in that the line has a relatively stiff line section (32,70) with a first part (30,76) and a second part (31,77) that are in contact with one another in a contact plane extending in a longitudinal direction of the line and which can be taken apart to provide access to an internal surface of the line section, wherein sealing means (41,42, 47, 79,90,91) extending in the longitudinal direction of the line section are arranged in or close to the contact plane to form a liquid barrier and wherein the two line parts have a clamping member (34,35, 80,81) that is able to engage on a locking element (51,52, 53, 59,60, 82,83) for fixing the line parts (30,31, 76,77) in a position in contact with one another, the lid (5) having an accommodating slot (51, 52, 53) for accommodating the line section (32) with an essentially cylindrical central accommodating portion (51) and, as the locking element, two slot-shaped accommodating portions (52,53) on either side of the central accommodating portion (51).
2. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the line parts are joined to one another by a hinge (37, 78) running in the longitudinal direction.
3. (Previously Presented) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the clamping member comprises a respective flange (34,35) joined to each line part.

4. (Cancel) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the chamber (2) is provided with an accommodating opening at the top and with a lid (5) for closing off the opening, the lid (5) having an accommodating slot (51,52, 53) for accommodating the line section (32) with an essentially cylindrical central accommodating portion (51) and, as locking element, two slot-shaped accommodating portions (52,53), on either side of the central accommodating portion (51).

5. (Previously Presented) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the line (13) has an outflow end (15) located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32), with a shut-off valve (18) that during use interacts with the dispensing head (14) and that can be opened and closed by operating the dispensing head (14).

6. (Previously Presented) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the line (13) has an inflow end (16) that is located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32) and in use engages on the shut-off valve (10) of the container (3).

7. (Previously Presented) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the line section (32) close to the outflow side is provided with gripping means (46).

8. (Previously Presented) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, wherein the line section (32) comprises a cooling member (70).

9. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 8, wherein the cooling member (70) has a number of loops (86,87) that extend transversely to the longitudinal direction of the line section and wherein the line section is provided with heat transfer members (76,77, 85) located along the loops for extracting heat from the line section.

10. (Currently Amended) Line (13) for use in a drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 1, comprising a relatively stiff line section (32,70) with a first part (30,76) and a second

part (31,77) which can be taken apart in the longitudinal direction of the line to provide access to an internal surface (40) of the line section (32,70), wherein the first and the second line part are in contact with one another in a contact plane (36) running in the longitudinal direction, and wherein sealing means (41,42, 47,79, 90,91) extending in the longitudinal direction of the line section are arranged in or close to the contact plane to form a liquid barrier from the line section and wherein the two line parts have as a clamping member (34, 35, 80, 81) a respective flange (34,35) joined to each line part that is able to engage on the slot-shaped accommodating portions (52, 53) ~~a locking element (51,52, 53, 59, 60, 82, 83)~~ for fixing the line parts (30,31, 76,77) in a position in contact with one another.

11. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, wherein the clamping member comprises a respective flange (34,35) joined to each line part.

12. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, wherein the chamber (2) is provided with an accommodating opening at the top and with a lid (5) for closing off the opening, the lid (5) having an accommodating slot (51,52, 53) for accommodating the line section (32) with an essentially cylindrical central accommodating portion (51) and, as locking element, two slot-shaped accommodating portions (52,53), on either side of the central accommodating portion (51).

13. (Currently Amended) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 3, wherein the chamber (2) is provided with an accommodating opening at the top and with a lid (5) for closing off the opening, the lid (5) having an accommodating slot (51,52, 53) for accommodating the line section (32) with an essentially cylindrical central accommodating portion (51) and, as locking element, two slot-shaped accommodating portions (52,53), on either side of the central accommodating [[portion]] portion (51).

14. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to claim 2, wherein, the line (13) has an outflow end (15) located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32), with a shut-off valve (18) that during use interacts with the dispensing head (14) and that can be opened and closed by operating the dispensing head (14).

15. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to claim 3, wherein the line (13) has an outflow end (15) located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32), with a shut-off valve (18) that during use interacts with the dispensing head (14) and that can be opened and closed by operating the dispensing head (14).

16. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 4, wherein the line (13) has an outflow end (15) located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32), with a shut-off valve (18) that during use interacts with the dispensing head (14) and that can be opened and closed by operating the dispensing head (14).

17. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, wherein the line (13) has an inflow end (16) that is located transversely to the relatively rigid line section (32) and in use engages on the shut-off valve (10) of the container (3).

18. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, wherein the line section (32) close to the outflow side is provided with gripping means (46).

19. (Original) Drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, wherein the line section (32) comprises a cooling member (70).

20. (Currently Amended) Line (13) for use in a drink dispenser (1) according to Claim 2, comprising a relatively stiff line section (32,70) with a first part (30,76) and a second part (31,77) which can be taken apart in the longitudinal direction of the line to provide access to an internal surface (40) of the line section (32,70), wherein the first and the second line part are

in contact with one another in a contact plane (36) running in the longitudinal direction, and wherein sealing means (41,42, 47,79, 90,91) extending in the longitudinal direction of the line section are arranged in or close to the contact plane to form a liquid barrier from the line section and wherein the two line parts have as a clamping member (34, 35, 80, 81) a respective flange (34,35) joined to each line part that is able to engage on the slot-shaped accommodating portions (52,53) a locking element (51,52, 53, 59, 60, 82, 83) for fixing the line parts (30,31, 76,77) in a position in contact with one another.